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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEE BOAT CASES: THE "MIGHTY"

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1. UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE GENEVA, CALLED MISSION HA OFFICER 26TH TO INFORM THAT AFTER TWO APPEALS BY UNHCR REP SAMPATKAMAR GOM REFUSED PERMISSION TO LAND VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ABOARD SHIP "MIGHTY".

2. LOCAL SHIP AGENT TOLD UNHCR REP THAT "MIGHTY" SHIP MASTER RELUCTANT TO SAIL KARACHI, NEXT SCHEDULED PORT OF CALL BECAUSE OF LACK ADEQUATE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR REFUGEES. SINCE SINGAPORE WAS FIRST PORT OF CALL AFTER PICKING UP REFUGEES, UNHCR REP ATTEMPTING TO HAVE "MIGHTY" RETURN WITH HOPE GOS WILL PERMIT PUTTING REFUGEES ASHORE.

3. UNHCR GENEVA ANXIOUS TO HAVE DEPARTMENT CABLE AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE INFORMING THEM OF ACCEPTED CASES, IF ANY, FOR MOVEMENT TO U.S. UNHCR FEELS THAT IF USG CAN GUARANTEE SOME CASES, GOS MIGHT RELENT IN PRESENT STANDOFF OF NOT PERMITTING REFUGEES ASHORE PENDING ACCEPTANCE BY COUNTRIES.
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